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Assignee:

NEC Electronics America, Inc.

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METHOD USING GAS SPARGED WATER

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10/695,285

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2813

Examiner:

Jennifer M. Dolan

Attorney Docket No.:

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page; in duplicate)
- (3) Response To Non-Final Office Action (10 pages)

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated March 7, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring on June 7, 2005. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification are present in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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No Amendments to the Drawings are present in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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